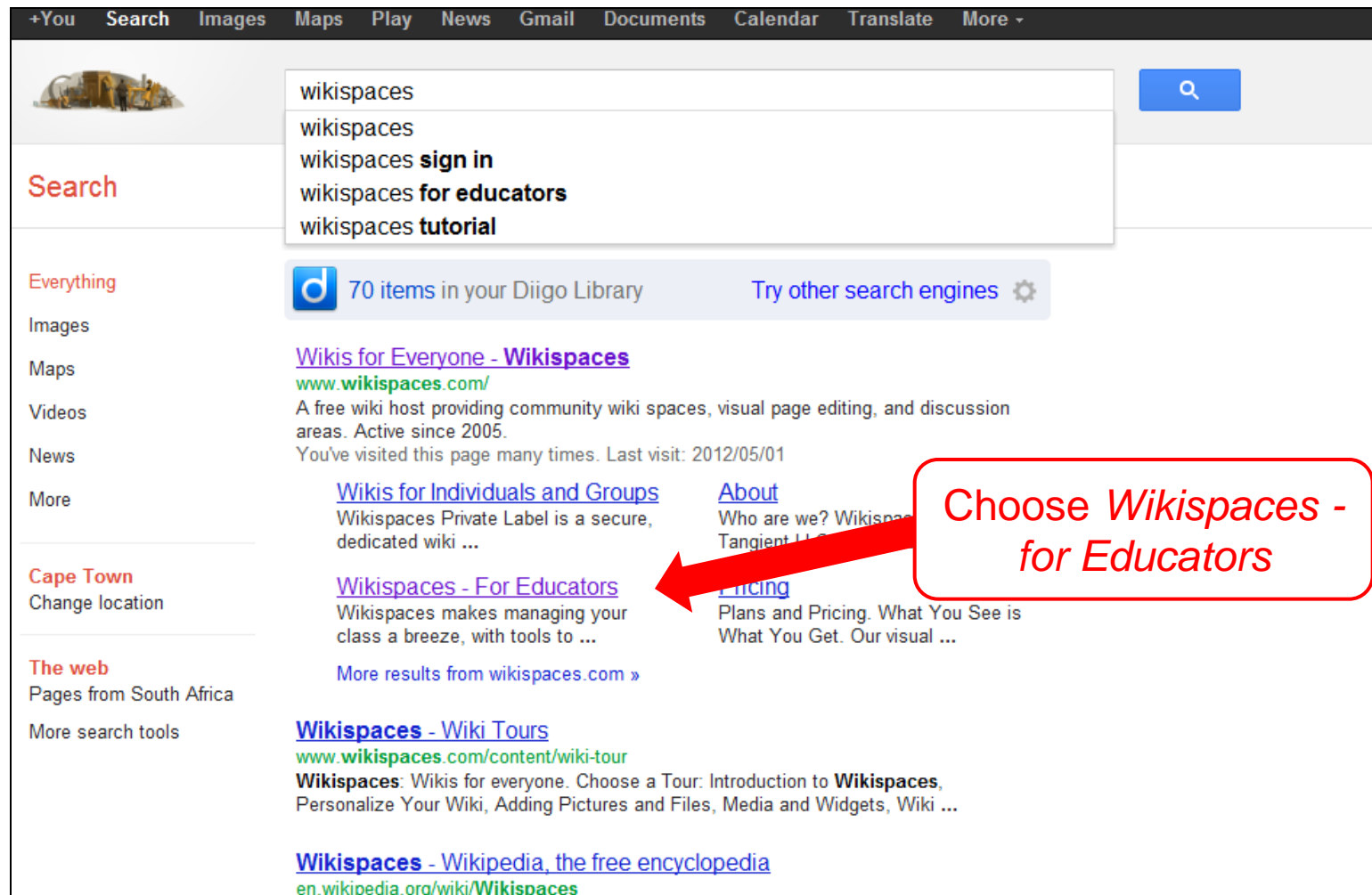


How to create a wiki using Wikispaces

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Ask Google/Bing for wikispaces



The screenshot shows a Google search interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links: +You, Search, Images, Maps, Play, News, Gmail, Documents, Calendar, Translate, and More. Below this is a search bar containing the text 'wikispaces'. A dropdown menu shows suggestions: 'wikispaces', 'wikispaces sign in', 'wikispaces for educators', and 'wikispaces tutorial'. To the right of the search bar is a blue search button with a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar, there's a section for 'Everything' with links to Images, Maps, Videos, News, and More. A 'Cape Town' section with a 'Change location' link is also visible. The main search results area shows a Diigo library entry for '70 items in your Diigo Library' and a link to 'Try other search engines'. The first search result is 'Wikis for Everyone - Wikispaces' with the URL 'www.wikispaces.com/'. Below this is a description: 'A free wiki host providing community wiki spaces, visual page editing, and discussion areas. Active since 2005. You've visited this page many times. Last visit: 2012/05/01'. There are three sub-links: 'Wikis for Individuals and Groups', 'About', and 'Pricing'. The 'About' link has a description: 'Who are we? Wikispaces is a Tangent LLC project.' The 'Pricing' link has a description: 'Plans and Pricing. What You See is What You Get. Our visual ...'. A red callout box with the text 'Choose Wikispaces - for Educators' has a red arrow pointing to the 'Wikispaces - For Educators' link. Below this is a link to 'Wikispaces - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia' with the URL 'en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikispaces'.

Search

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Images

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More

Cape Town

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The web

Pages from South Africa

More search tools

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Wikispaces Private Label is a secure, dedicated wiki ...

[Wikispaces - For Educators](#)
Wikispaces makes managing your class a breeze, with tools to ...

[More results from wikispaces.com »](#)

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www.wikispaces.com/content/wiki-tour
Wikispaces: Wikis for everyone. Choose a Tour: Introduction to **Wikispaces**, Personalize Your Wiki, Adding Pictures and Files, Media and Widgets, Wiki ...

[Wikispaces - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia](#)
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Choose Wikispaces - for Educators

Click on *Start your wiki*

Wikispaces for Educators

This will be the class they remember forever

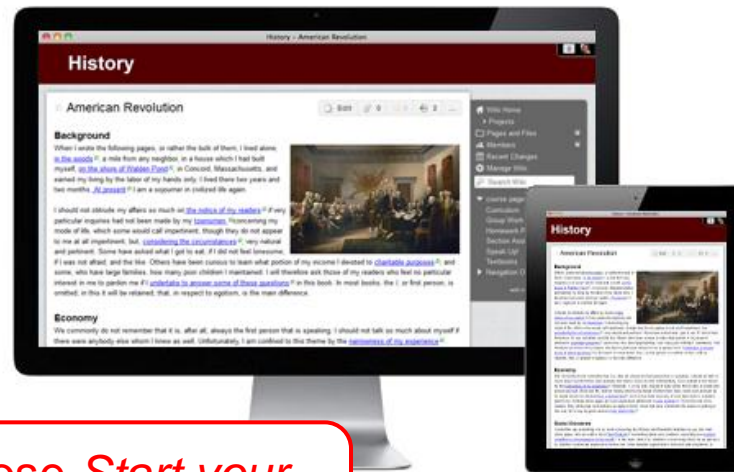
Wikispaces makes managing your class a breeze, with tools to handle day-to-day work and features to tackle the special activities you've only dreamed of.

Get a **free**, private, secure space for your class today.

Start your wiki

Choose *Start your wiki*

Are you a student? [Right this way >](#)



students and teachers

What is a "wiki"?

A **wiki** is a space on the Web where you can share work and ideas, pictures and links, videos and media — and anything else you can think of. Wikispaces is special because we give you a visual editor and a bunch of other tools to make sharing all kinds of content as easy for students as it is for their teachers.

Make sure you have thought about your wiki name

Join Now

Username

Password

Email Address

We will not spam or share your email address.

Make a Wiki?

☐ No ☒ Yes

Create a wiki now or after you join.

Wiki Name
 .wikispaces.com

Choose a name between 3 and 32 characters long.

Wiki Permissions

☐ Public (free)
Everyone can view and edit your pages.

☒ Protected (free)
Everyone can view pages, only wiki members can edit them.

☐ Private (free for educators, otherwise \$5/month)
Only wiki members can view and edit pages.

Wiki Type

K-12 Education (Primary and Secondary) ▼

Optional: Help us understand how you use Wikispaces.

Educational Use

☒ I certify this wiki will be used for K-12 education.
We may contact you via email to verify use.

This is your internet address that reflects your type of wiki

You will use the same username for all your wikis. Mine is 'fionabeal' for instance

So in my case...

Make a New Wiki [X]

Wiki Name
 .wikispaces.com
Choose a name between 3 and 32 characters long.

Wiki Permissions
☐ Public (free)
Everyone can view and edit your pages.
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We may contact you to verify use.

This is your internet address that reflects your type of wiki

I always choose the 'protected' option so that the wiki can be seen by others

Choose this as you get extra features free as a teacher

Check this box here and then press create

This is how it will open up!

The screenshot shows the Schoolnet Wikicourse interface. At the top, there's a green header with the logo and a welcome message. Below this, the main content area has a 'home' link and a 'Welcome to Your New Wiki!' section. A red callout box with a red arrow points to the 'Manage Wiki' option in the right-hand navigation bar. The callout text says: 'Note that the navigation bar is on the right. We want to change that to make it look more like a website, so click on *'Manage wiki?'*'.

schoolnetwikicourse

Welcome to your new wiki!

home

Wiki Home

Projects

Pages and Files

Members

Recent Changes

Manage Wiki

Search Wiki

All Pages

Navigation Options

edit navigation

Note that the navigation bar is on the right. We want to change that to make it look more like a website, so click on *'Manage wiki?'*

Getting Started

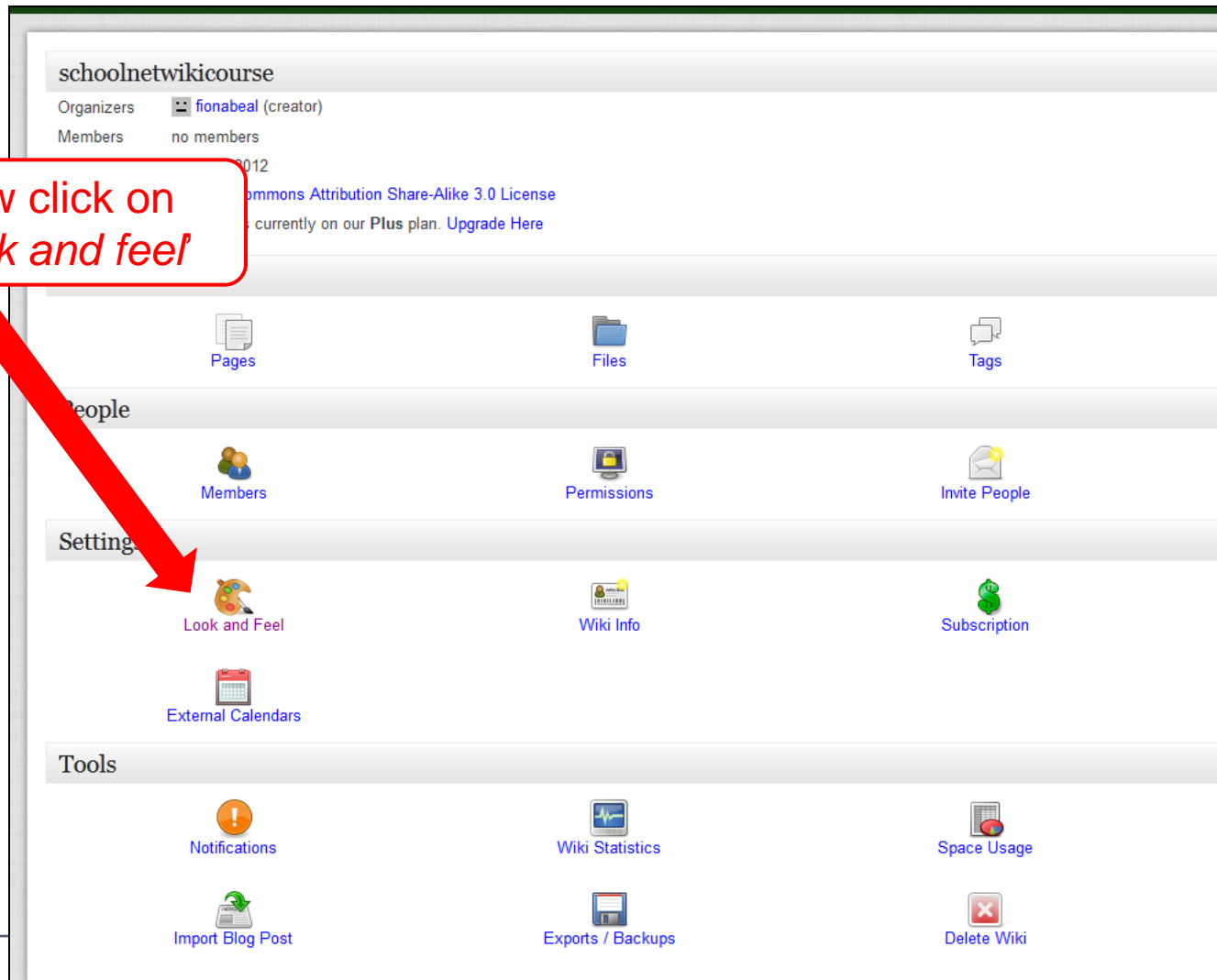
- Click on the edit button above to put your own content on this page.
- To invite new members, click on **Manage Wiki** and **Invite People**.
- To change your wiki's colors or theme, click on **Manage Wiki** and **Look and Feel**.
- To set who can view and edit your wiki, click on **Manage Wiki** and **Permissions**.

Need Help?


- Click on the help link above to learn more about how to use your wiki.

This is the page where you change your settings

Now click on
'Look and feel'

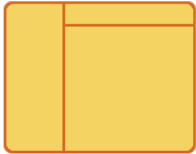


Go to 'Themes and colours'

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Choose 'themes and colours'


Themes and Colors



Themes let you change the overall look of your wiki to meet your needs. You can choose from several pre-made themes, or build and apply your own.

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Wiki Stylesheet



Your wiki stylesheet controls the presentation of your page content, the portion of the wiki page you can edit. You may change most aspects of how you

[Edit your wiki stylesheet](#)

Logo



In most themes, your logo is shown in the top left corner. You may upload a new logo in GIF, JPEG, or PNG format. Click 'Browse' below to locate the image displayed at its native resolution. In some themes, very tall or wide logos may push the page contents off the screen.

New Image File

Browse...

Reset to Default

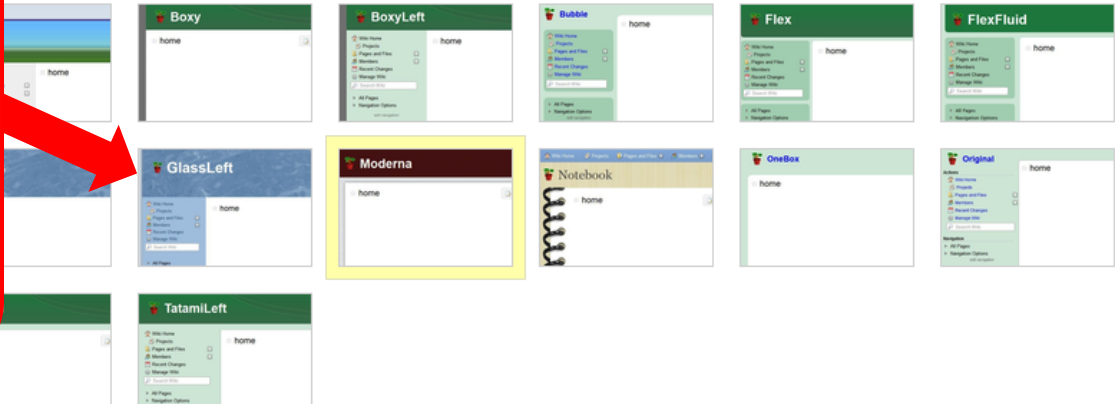
Save

Make your choices

I chose this one. Once you have made your choice there are some gorgeous colours – not reflected on this page


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Themes and Colors



Moderna

The 2012 Wikispaces default theme.



Current Theme

Apply Preview Preview and Customize

Here are the colour choices for this theme


✔ The theme has been updated.
✕

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Themes and Colors




Boxy




BoxyLeft



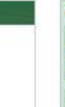
Bubble




Flex




FlexFluid




Glass




GlassLeft




Moderna




Notebook




OneBox




Original



Tatami





TatamiLeft





GlassLeft


Features a subtle, glassy header and footer. Fixed width, left sidebar.


















Apply

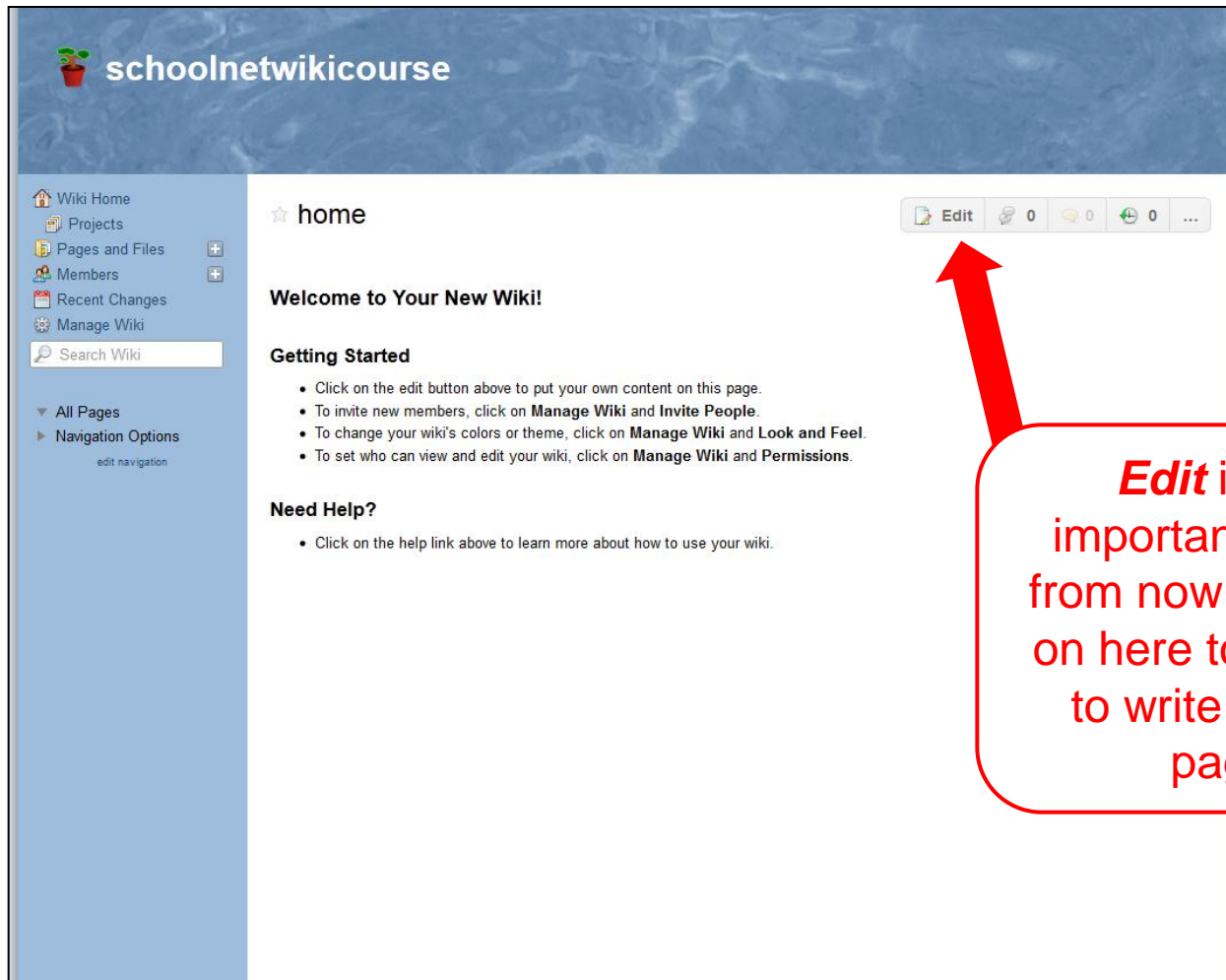
Preview

Preview and Customize

Make your choice!



Add some writing about the type of wiki you have chosen



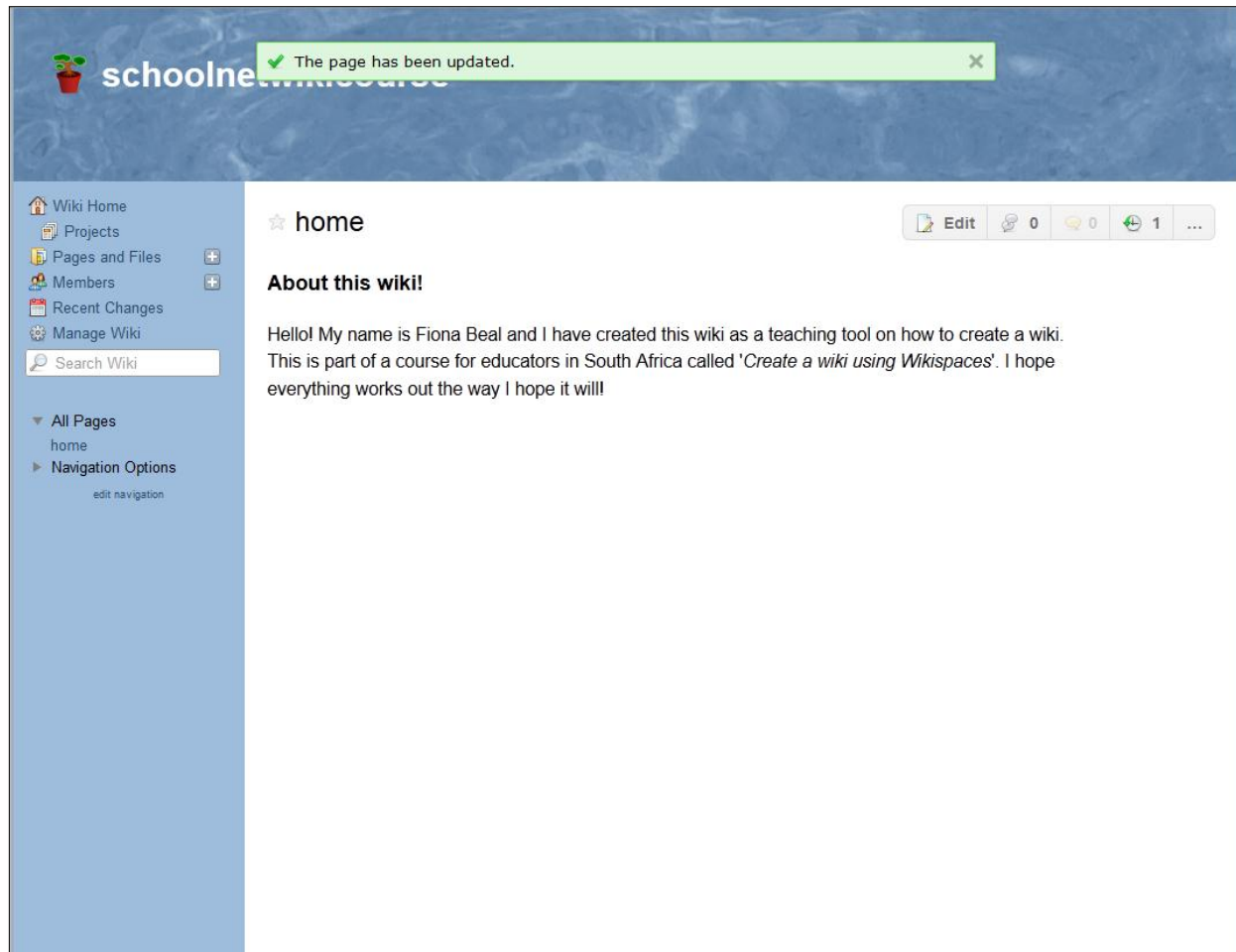
Edit is the important button from now on! Click on here to be able to write on this page

Write a short paragraph about your wiki and press *Save*

Do your first bit of writing
– we can remove it later.
Then press Save.

The screenshot shows the 'schoolnetwikicourse' wiki editor. On the left is a sidebar with navigation links: Wiki Home, Projects, Pages and Files, Members, Recent Changes, and Manage Wiki. Below these is a search bar and sections for 'All Pages' and 'Navigation Options'. The main editing area has a toolbar with options like Bold, Italic, Underline, Text color, Normal, Bulleted list, Numbered list, Table, Link, File, Widget, Table, Comment, Preview, Cancel, and Save. A red arrow labeled '1' points to the 'Save' button. Another red arrow labeled '2' points to the text area below the toolbar. The text area contains the heading 'About this wiki!' followed by a paragraph: 'Hello! My name is Fiona Beal and I have created this wiki as a teaching tool on how to create a wiki. This is part of a course for educators in South Africa called 'Create a wiki using Wikispaces'. I hope everything works out the way I hope it will!'

Our wiki is ready for next week's lesson!



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying a wiki page. At the top, a green banner reads "Our wiki is ready for next week's lesson!". Below this, the wiki's header features a small potted plant icon and the text "schoolnewiki". A green notification bar at the top right states "The page has been updated." with a close button. The left sidebar is blue and contains a navigation menu with links: "Wiki Home", "Projects", "Pages and Files", "Members", "Recent Changes", and "Manage Wiki". Below these is a "Search Wiki" search bar. Under "All Pages", the "home" page is listed. Under "Navigation Options", there is a link for "edit navigation". The main content area is white and displays the title "home" with a star icon. To the right of the title is a toolbar with buttons for "Edit", "0" (comments), "0" (discussions), "1" (revisions), and a menu icon. Below the title, the text "About this wiki!" is followed by a paragraph: "Hello! My name is Fiona Beal and I have created this wiki as a teaching tool on how to create a wiki. This is part of a course for educators in South Africa called 'Create a wiki using Wikispaces'. I hope everything works out the way I hope it will!"

See you next week!